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Tadahiro Ohmi et al.)	Examiner: Chevalier, Alicia Ann
Serial No.: 09/889,269)	
Filing Date: July 13, 2001)	Attorney Docket No.: FUK-84
Title: METAL MATERIAL HAVING)	Confirmation No.: 2418
FORMED THEREON CHROMIUM)	
OXIDE PASSIVE FILM AND)	
METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE)	
SAME, AND PARTS CONTACTING)	
WITH FLUID AND SYSTEM FOR)	
SUPPLYING FLUID AND)	
EXHAUSTING GAS)	

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